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Former Irvine Police Officer Pleads to Off Duty Assault

A 34-year-old man pleaded no contest today to assaulting his girlfriend's friend two years ago in Torrance, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Paul George Gebert (dob 12/4/85) entered the plea in case BA476251 to one felony count of assault with force likely to cause great bodily injury.

Deputy District Attorney William Chung of the Justice System Integrity Division said Gebert was immediately sentenced to three years of formal probation, 30 days of Caltrans work and six months of anger management counseling.

The defendant, who at the time was an off-duty officer with the Irvine Police Department, went to his girlfriend's home in Torrance on July 8, 2018. Once inside, Gebert saw a man on the couch and started beating him. The man, who suffered serious injuries, was a friend of the defendant's girlfriend, the prosecutor said.

The case was investigated by the Torrance Police Department.

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